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## **REFERENCE DESIGNATION**

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

## **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	TRANSLATION	
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		WO 00/48735	24 Aug. 2000	Perkin Elmer Corporation		
		EP 1 179 368	13 Feb. 2002	Agilent Technologies Inc.		
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		EP 1 208 912	29 May 2002	Xerox Corporation		

**OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)**

EPO Communication dated 26 May 2003, enclosing European Search Report for EP Application No. 02 25 3036 (priority claimed from US Application No. 09/846,474) dated 15 May 2003, and Annex to the European Search Report.

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